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Honorable Glen E. Clark
Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge
350 South Main Street, Room 369
Salt Lake City, UT 84101

Re: *Chapter 13 Attorneys' Fees under BAPCPA*

Dear Judge Clark:

My firm's Chapter 13 practice has traditionally dealt with debtors who have financial issues in addition to what is normally seen in standard consumer cases. In reviewing the fees that I have incurred during the pre-BAPCPA period, those fees have ranged from \$2,500.00 to \$10,000.00.

Under BAPCPA, I anticipate that more of my Chapter 7 clients will become Chapter 13 clients, and thus I am concerned about the fees which may be awarded. In the past, this firm typically spent many hours advising its clients regarding the impact of filing and how to hopefully succeed under the plan and thereafter – now those discussions will be even more extensive.

The proposal presented to you by Messrs. Berry, Burton, Davis and Trease seems reasonable; however, I do not believe that this firm will ever be able perform the necessary work in a simple Chapter 13 case for less than \$3,500.00. I would therefore suggest that the base fee be no less than \$3,000.00 for non-business cases and \$4,000.00 if business issues are involved.

I appreciate the opportunity to express my views to the Court on these issues.

Very truly yours,



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